January 1, 2017

OTTAWA NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE MONTHLY CENSUS

** ROUTES:** Same usual morning & afternoon routes.
** TIME:** 7:30am - 12:00pm; 1:50pm- 4:45pm
** TEMP.:** 26~42°F
** COND.:** Chilly early, turning sunny with blue skies. No snow cover.
Most ditches, canals & impoundments were ice-covered; MS5 had some open water; Crane Creek was ice-free as was Lake Erie.
** OBS. EAST:** Eddy Pausch, Chris Pierce, Jim Reyda, and Al & Betty Schlecht.
** OBS. WEST:** Tom & Paula Bartlett, Katie Clink, Donna Kuhn, Dave & Kim Myles, Ed Pierce, and Douglas W. Vogus.

I. MAMMALS: 6 SPECIES.

1. Virginia Opossum - 2
2. Eastern Cottontail - 2
3. Eastern Fox Squirrel - 7
4. White-footed Mouse - 11
5. Meadow Vole - 1
6. White-tailed Deer - 3 (1 spike buck missing one antler, 2 doe

II. BIRDS: 66 SPECIES.

1. Canada Goose - 1,631
2. Mute Swan - 3
3. Trumpeter Swan - 31
4. Tundra Swan - 2,903
5. American Wigeon - 4
6. American Black Duck - 28
7. Mallard - 821
8. Northern Pintail - 5
9. Canvasback - 350
10. Redhead - 2
11. Greater Scaup - 2
12. Lesser Scaup - 2,417
13. Common Goldeneye - 68
14. Hooded Merganser - 3
15. Common Merganser - 27
16. Red-breasted Merganser - 21
17. Ruddy Duck - 1
18. Mourning Dove - 38
19. Sandhill Crane - 96
20. Ring-billed Gull - 4,366
21. Herring Gull - 247
22. Lesser Black-backed Gull - 1
23. Great Black-backed Gull - 4
24. Great Blue Heron - 47
25. Black-crowned Night-Heron - 4 (immatures)
26. Bald Eagle - 22 (8 adult, 14 immature)
27. Northern Harrier - 10
28. Cooper's Hawk - 1
29. Red-shouldered Hawk - 1
30. Red-tailed Hawk - 18
31. Rough-legged Hawk - 1
32. Eastern Screech-Owl - 2
33. Great Horned Owl - 1
34. Long-eared Owl - 6
35. Short-eared Owl - 2
36. Red-headed Woodpecker - 7
37. Red-bellied Woodpecker - 23
38. Downy Woodpecker - 41
39. Hairy Woodpecker - 8
40. Northern Flicker - 5
41. American Kestrel - 1
42. Blue Jay - 103
43. American Crow - 1
44. Horned Lark - 4
45. Black-capped Chickadee - 17
46. Tufted Titmouse - 11
47. White-breasted Nuthatch - 20
48. Brown Creeper - 6
49. Winter Wren - 1
50. Carolina Wren - 2
51. American Robin - 37
52. European Starling - 76
53. House Sparrow - 40
54. House Finch - 1
55. American Goldfinch - 79
56. Lapland Longspur - 1
57. American Tree Sparrow - 339
58. Song Sparrow - 22
59. Swamp Sparrow - 13
60. White-crowned Sparrow - 1
61. Dark-eyed Junco - 47
62. Northern Cardinal - 61
63. Red-winged Blackbird - 78
64. Eastern Meadowlark - 3
65. Common Grackle - 1
66. Brown-headed Cowbird - 56

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